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REMARKS

The indicated allowability over the art of claims 4-12, 17-25 and 43 is noted, with thanks. Applicants maintain that there are patentable differences between the cited art and the remaining claims. In order to expedite prosecution, however, Applicants have cancelled the art rejected claims, and will be pursuing same in a continuation filing. The amended claims have rewritten the allowable claims as independent claims as shown.

The foregoing amendment merely combines claims and makes no claim changes that would require further search by the Examiner. Accordingly, entry of the foregoing Amendment, and allowance of the Application are respectfully requested.

Claim fees (13 added independent claims) and a Petition for Three-Months Extension of Time in the amount of \$3,970.00, is being paid via EFS-Web. In the event further fees or charges are due, the Commissioner is authorized to charge our deposit account (or credit any overpayment) to our Deposit Account Number 08-1391.

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